

## Pet By Law

A By law which contains the pet's owner right and obligation of the Forward 9 Community Development Co-operative and its members.

Approved by Board of Directors: February 12, 2003

Confirmed by a two-thirds vote at a meeting of members held on April 10, 2003

## Pet By Law

### By Law No. 22

#### Article 1: General

- 1.01 Members are allowed to keep pets in the Co-op in accordance with this By Law. Members must not permit pets to interfere with the use or enjoyment by other members of their unit or common areas.
- 1.02 If a member is uncertain as to whether a pet is permitted and/or must be register in Accordance with this By-Law, the member is responsible for consulting the Co-op before acquiring the pet.
- 1.03 Pet owners must comply with all City of Toronto By –Laws governing the licensing and control of pets.
- 1.04 The Co-op’s manager will be responsible for administering the Pet By-Law including record keeping and processing pet registrations in accordance with the Provisions of this By-Law.

#### Article 2: Types Of Pets Allowed

- 2.01 Dogs and Cats  
Members are allowed to keep a maximum of one (1) dog and (2) house cats per unit.
- 2.02 Working dogs such as “Seeing-eye-dogs” are a special consideration and two (2) “working dogs” of any breed per unit are allowed.
- 2.03 Contained Pets are defined as pets that are normally contained in a cage, tank or other container: Examples of contained pets but, not restricted to, are fish, hamsters and birds.
- 2:04 Any exceptions will require written permission form the Board.

#### Article 3: Types Of Pets Not Allowed

- 3.01 Exotic Pets and Farm Animals  
Exotic Pets and Farm Animals are not allowed. For the purpose of this By-Law, an exotic pet will be considered to be any pet not commonly kept as a domestic pet. Examples are, but not restricted to, spiders, snakes, ferrets, etc.

### 3.02 Types of Dogs

Except as defined in 2.02, the following dogs are not permitted on Co-op property: Pit Bull, Dobermans, and dogs of comparable size and nature.

### 3.03 Destructive and/or Dangerous Pets

The Board of Directors may refuse to allow members to keep any variety of pets that is considers to be potentially dangerous or destructive or a nuisance, i.e. Causing noise.

## Article 4: Registration

4.01 Proof must be provided that dogs are licensed with the City of Toronto. Such proof must be kept with the member and must be made available to the co-op upon request.

4.02 Pet owners must protect their pets against parasites and diseases. Current certificate of inoculation must be kept by the member and must be made available to the co-op upon request.

## Article 5: Condition Of Animals

5.01 All dogs and cats six months of age or older must be spayed or neutered. A Certificate issued by the Humane Society or a licensed Veterinarian indicating that the pet has been spayed or neutered must be kept by the member and must be made available to the co-op upon request.

5.02 The requirement for spaying or neutering of a pet may be waived by the Board or the requirement may be postponed, as appropriate, if the member responsible provides the Co-op with a written statement from the Humane Society or a licensed Veterinarian indicating that the animal should not be spayed or neutered.

5.03 If a certificate indicating that the pet has been spayed or neutered is not available because a member has owned a pet for a considerable length of time, then the member may submit in its place a written declaration from the Humane Society or a licensed Veterinarian confirming that the pet has been spayed or neutered.

## Article 6: Nuisance

6.01 Members must clean up after their pets (stoop and scoop), as necessary

6.02 Members must repair any damage to the property of the Co-op or another member caused by their pets

- 6.03 Members must control their pets to prevent any noise that disturbs other members.
- 6.04 Members are responsible for the control, cleanliness and proper care of their pets such as not to interfere with the enjoyment by other members by failing to do so. For example continuous barking or noise, odors caused by unkempt litter boxes, urination and/or excrement on the property, etc. Members are financially responsible for any damage to Co-op property caused by improper management of their pets, or the pets of their guests.

## Article 7: Control

- 7.01 All dogs must be on a leash and always in the control of a responsible person aged 12 years and over
- 7.02 Except as defined in Article 2.02, pets are not allowed in the following areas:
- Meeting Rooms
  - Laundry Room
  - Co-op office
  - Children's play areas
  - Common Area Washroom
  - Main Lobby except to travel to and from members' units.

## Article 8: Complaints

- 8.01 If a member has a complaint about a pet, the complaint shall be dealt with in the following manner:
- (a) The member must attempt to resolve the complaint with the pet's owner
  - (b) If a member is unable to resolve the problem with the pet's owner, the member may submit a written complaint to the co-op office.
  - (c) In the first instance, a written warning will be sent to the member. For a second alleged violation or subsequent alleged violations, the office will refer the matter to the Board.
  - (d) The Board may impose a fine or take such action, as it deems appropriate.